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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116,  
98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am a single retiree. The low rate of Tracfone service gives me a large measure of safety when I travel, which is usually alone. I was grounded in Denver on a non-stop flight from BWI to San Francisco on 9/11/01. I recently aborted a carjacking attempt because I had my Tracfone. Please do not raise the rates and make the cost of this measure of safety prohibitive to Seniors. These are troubled times and we need to be able to obtain affordable services. Due to Stock Market fluctuations, I am looking at returning to work with arthritis of the hips and a bad back; just one year after retirement to be able to afford retirement. This is a sad state of affairs after walking long hospital halls for 44 years.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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